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Gov. Daugaard, Other Governors to Meet on Missouri River Flood Management

PIERRE, S.D. ó South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard announced plans today to meet next month with Governors from other states impacted by current Missouri River flooding.

“It’s important that the governors jointly discuss river management because we have a common interest in flood prevention, and that has never been more evident than this year, with its record flooding,” Gov. Daugaard said. “I believe we all agree that flood control should be the top priority in U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ management of the Missouri River dam system.”

Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman will host the Aug. 19 meeting in Omaha, which is headquarters for the Northwestern Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Gov. Heineman plans to invite officials from the Corp of Engineers to the meeting.

In addition to Govs. Heineman and Daugaard, also attending will be Govs. Terry Branstad of Iowa, Sam Brownback of Kansas, Brian Schweitzer of Montana, Jack Dalrymple of North Dakota, and a representative for Gov. Matt Mead of Wyoming. Gov. Jay Nixon of Missouri also is invited.

Details of the Aug. 19 session will be announced at a later date.